

CME Chagas Disease Workshop: Pre-Session Questionnaire

1. Please indicate the profession that best describes you:

MD/ DO

DVM

Other: _____

If you are **not** a practicing physician (i.e., MD/ DO) please skip to Question 5

2. What is your primary specialization?

Infectious disease

Obstetrics/ gynecology

Cardiology

General practitioner/ family physician

Other: _____

3. What is your primary type of medical practice?

Private

Teaching hospital

Community hospital

Other: _____

4. How many years have you been a practicing physician?

Less than 3 years

3 to 5 years

5 to 10 years

More than 10 years

5. How would you describe your level of knowledge about Chagas disease?

Excellent

Good

Limited

Very limited

I don't know anything about Chagas Disease

6. How confident are you that your knowledge on Chagas disease is up to date?

Very confident

Confident

Somewhat confident

Not at all confident

7. True or False: Chagas disease is present in Texas.

True

False

8. Chagas disease is caused by a (select one answer):

Bacteria

Virus

Parasite

Fungus

I don't know

ID: _____

9. True or False: The parasite that causes Chagas disease, *T cruzi*, is transmitted by the saliva of an infected triatomine bugs when they bite a person, typically at night
- True
False
10. In what parts of the world is Chagas disease transmitted by vector bugs (choose the best answer)?
- East Asia and parts of Africa
Cuba and Puerto Rico
Southern United States, Mexico, Central America, and South America
Central America, Mexico, and parts of Africa
11. Approximately, what percentage of patients with chronic Chagas infection eventually develop clinical disease?
- <20%
21-40%
>40%
Don't know
12. Chagas disease symptoms are?
- Acute for several weeks then immediately symptomatic
Acute for several week; asymptomatic for years to decades then sometimes symptomatic
There are no symptoms
Don't know
13. People with chronic Chagas disease may have (circle all that apply)?
- Cardiac conduction abnormalities
Cardiomyopathy
Megacolon
Co-clinical manifestations
Don't know
14. What methods may be used to diagnose Chagas disease?
- Blood smear
PCR assays
Serologic tests
First and Third choices
All of the above
15. Should patients with chronic Chagas disease be treated with antitrypanosomal drugs?
- No, there is no evidence that antitrypanosomal treatment for chronic Chagas disease can be effective
Only patients less than 5 years old should be treated for chronic Chagas disease.
Treatment is always recommended for patients up to age 18 years and generally recommended for patients aged 18-50
Only Chagas disease patients older than 50 years should be offered antitrypanosomal treatment.
16. What are EKG findings typical of Chagas cardiomyopathy?
- Right bundle branch block
Left anterior fascicular block
First degree AV block
The First and Third answers
All of the above